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Docket No.: 50023-138

PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277  
Masayuki IMADA, et al. : Confirmation Number: 1504  
Application No.: 09/863,386 : Group Art Unit: 2653  
Filed: May 22, 2001 : Allowed: October 04, 2004  
Examiner: T.V. Tran  
For: DISK REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND DISK REPRODUCING METHOD

**LETTER UNDER 37 CFR 1.312 AND**  
**REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of the Notice of Allowance mailed October 4, 2004.

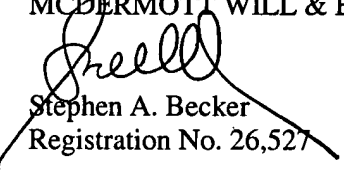
The Notice of Allowance indicated that claims 2-8, 13, 15-21 and 16 have been allowed.

This is incorrect. The total allowed claims should read 2-8, 13, 15-21 and **26**: claim 16 has been withdrawn.

It is respectfully requested that a Supplemental Notice of Allowability be mailed correcting this error and that the records of the Patent Office be corrected to ensure that the deed of Letters Patent will be printed correctly.

Respectfully submitted,

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